TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1164 - SB 1173

February 25, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (004505): Requires the Department of Safety (DOS) and the Department of Human Resources (DHR) to ensure that a minimum of five Tennessee Highway Patrol (THP) officers and one THP sergeant are allocated to certain tier 3 or tier 4 enhancement counties. Specifies that DOS is to fill vacant positions first for any impacted county and, if there are none, consult with DHR to reallocate or shift existing vacant positions from across the counties. Authorizes DOS to not comply with provisions of this legislations if funding is not available to fill vacancies or positions required are being utilized elsewhere.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Any assistance required by the DHR can be accommodated within the normal course of business utilizing existing resources.
- According to DOS, the proposed requirements potentially apply to six counties in the state, with only three of those counties currently having fewer personnel than the required six.
- The DOS states that the THP can allocate the appropriate number of troopers to those counties utilizing existing or expected personnel, without an additional increase in expenditures or full-time positions. Allocation and re-allocation of troopers to various counties occurs in the normal course of business.
- There will be no increase in expenditures to any counties that are allocated additional troopers.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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